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In re Patent Application of: E. Colli

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For: METHODS FOR TREATING BLADDER Exami

DYSFUNCTION

Examiner: S. N. Qazi

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

MS Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Applicant files this paper in response to the final Office Action dated September 10, 2008 in the above-referenced patent application, along with a Request for a three-month extension of time, a Request for Continued Examination, the requisite fees based on small entity status, the Declaration of Luciano Adorini and a Supplemental information Disclosure Statement.

Applicant respectfully requests that the application be amended without prejudice, without admission, without surrender of subject matter and without any intention of creating any estoppel as to equivalents.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 13 of this paper.